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Serial No.: 10/625,949 ) Group Art Unit: 1725  
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Title: PHARMACEUTICAL LAZER )  
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This is in response to the Examiner's non-final Office Action mailed July 13, 2005 for the above-referenced patent application, the period for reply thereto having been set to expire 3 months from the mailing date of the Office Action.

A Petition for a one-month extension of time is enclosed herewith.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks are presented on page 4.